GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Rajdhani Train to Agartala
Datta Shri Sankar Prasad

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has received any proposal for starting Rajdhani Train from New Delhi to Agartala, and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Railways proposes to connect Tripura with Southern and Western parts of the country by broad gauge;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the decision is likely to be taken and implemented in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): A large number of representations are received at various levels of Railway administration viz. Railway station, Division, Zonal Headquarter & Railway Board's level for introduction of trains including Rajdhani Express trains. However, Indian Railways do not maintain compendium of such data.
(b) to (d): With the completion of Badarpur-Kumarghat-Agartala Gauge Conversion, the State of Tripura including its capital has been brought on Broad Gauge network and goods trains have already been introduced on 20.02.2016. The section can be opened for passenger traffic after statutory inspection and authorization from Commissioner of Railway Safety.

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